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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231
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Sir:

Re: New United States Patent Application

**Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
EQUALIZATION ACROSS PLURAL
DATA CHANNELS**

Inventor(s): Roland A. SMITH and Kim B. ROBERTS

Assignee: Nortel Networks Limited

Our File: 9-13528-131US KD/bm

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

INVENTOR(S): Roland A. SMITH and Kim B. ROBERTS

TITLE OF THE INVENTION:

**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR OPTICAL
EQUALIZATION ACROSS PLURAL DATA
CHANNELS**

The following documents are enclosed:

- a) Specification/Claims/Abstract with
Declaration/Power of Attorney
- b) Assignment in favor of Nortel Networks Limited
with Recordation Form PTO-1595
- c) Formal Drawings (3 Sheets - Figs. 1 - 3)
- d) Information Disclosure Statement with PTO Form 1449

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e) Our cheque No. 006912 and Fee Transmittal Form
PTO/SB/17, covering:

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| Filing Fee | \$ 710.00 |
| Recording of Assignment | \$ 40.00 |
| Total Number of Claims: | 49 |
| Independent claims in excess of 3 (2 @ \$80) | \$ 160.00 |
| Claims in excess of 20 (29 @ \$18) | \$ <u>522.00</u> |
| Total | \$1,432.00 |

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Please note that the address of the agents for the applicant in this matter should be the Montreal address identified in the enclosed Declaration/Power of Attorney. Correspondence may be directed to Kent Daniels at the Montreal address of Swabey Ogilvy Renault.

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METHOD OF PAYMENT

1. ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any overpayments to:

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☒ Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

2. ☒ Payment Enclosed:

☒ Check ☐ Credit card ☐ Money Order ☐ Other

FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

| Large Entity Fee Code | Small Entity Fee Code | Fee (\$) | Fee (\$) | Fee Description | Fee Paid |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------|----------|------------------------|----------|
| 101 | 710 | 201 | 355 | Utility filing fee | 710 |
| 106 | 320 | 206 | 160 | Design filing fee | |
| 107 | 490 | 207 | 245 | Plant filing fee | |
| 108 | 710 | 208 | 355 | Reissue filing fee | |
| 114 | 150 | 214 | 75 | Provisional filing fee | |

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$ 710.00)

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

| Total Claims | Extra Claims | Fee from below | Fee Paid |
|--------------------|--------------|----------------|----------|
| 49 | -20** = 29 | X 18 = 522 | |
| 5 | -3** = 2 | X 80 = 160 | |
| Multiple Dependent | | | 0 |

| Large Entity Fee Code | Small Entity Fee Code | Fee (\$) | Fee (\$) | Fee Description |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------|----------|--|
| 103 | 18 | 203 | 9 | Claims in excess of 20 |
| 102 | 80 | 202 | 40 | Independent claims in excess of 3 |
| 104 | 270 | 204 | 135 | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid |
| 109 | 80 | 209 | 40 | ** Reissue independent claims over original patent |
| 110 | 18 | 210 | 9 | ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |

SUBTOTAL (2) (\$ 682)

**or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

| Large Entity Fee Code | Small Entity Fee Code | Fee (\$) | Fee (\$) | Fee Description | Fee Paid |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------|----------|--|----------|
| 105 | 130 | 205 | 65 | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath | |
| 127 | 50 | 227 | 25 | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet | |
| 139 | 130 | 139 | 130 | Non-English specification | |
| 147 | 2,520 | 147 | 2,520 | For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination | |
| 112 | 920* | 112 | 920* | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action | |
| 113 | 1,840* | 113 | 1,840* | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action | |
| 115 | 110 | 215 | 55 | Extension for reply within first month | |
| 116 | 390 | 216 | 195 | Extension for reply within second month | |
| 117 | 890 | 217 | 445 | Extension for reply within third month | |
| 118 | 1,390 | 218 | 695 | Extension for reply within fourth month | |
| 128 | 1,890 | 228 | 945 | Extension for reply within fifth month | |
| 119 | 310 | 219 | 155 | Notice of Appeal | |
| 120 | 310 | 220 | 155 | Filing a brief in support of an appeal | |
| 121 | 270 | 221 | 135 | Request for oral hearing | |
| 138 | 1,510 | 138 | 1,510 | Petition to institute a public use proceeding | |
| 140 | 110 | 240 | 55 | Petition to revive - unavoidable | |
| 141 | 1,240 | 241 | 620 | Petition to revive - unintentional | |
| 142 | 1,240 | 242 | 620 | Utility issue fee (or reissue) | |
| 143 | 440 | 243 | 220 | Design issue fee | |
| 144 | 600 | 244 | 300 | Plant issue fee | |
| 122 | 130 | 122 | 130 | Petitions to the Commissioner | |
| 123 | 50 | 123 | 50 | Petitions related to provisional applications | |
| 126 | 240 | 126 | 240 | Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt | |
| 581 | 40 | 581 | 40 | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) | 40 |
| 146 | 710 | 246 | 355 | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a)) | |
| 149 | 710 | 249 | 355 | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b)) | |
| 179 | 710 | 279 | 355 | Request for Continued Examination (RCE) | |
| 169 | 900 | 169 | 900 | Request for expedited examination of a design application | |

Other fee (specify) _____

* Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid

SUBTOTAL (3) (\$ 40)

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